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Sir:

Pursuant to M.P.E.P. §609 and 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97-1.99, Applicants herewith submit form PTO-1449 which lists references cited in the International Search Report issued in connection with the corresponding International Application. A copy of each reference is submitted herewith.

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Applicants also reserve the right to present appropriate arguments and/or evidence to establish patentability over the references, should one or more of the references be applied against the claims of the present application.

Applicants request that the Examiner independently determine those items which the Examiner would consider the most pertinent of all the references cited herein.

It is respectfully requested that these references be considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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